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THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : (*a*) An Advisory Committee has been appointed to function in every district in the State excluding the Kanyakumari district and the Shencottah taluk of the Tirunelveli district. The Advisory Committees have been modelled on the lines of the District Planning Boards already functioning in the districts.

(*b*) The Government Order has been communicated to all District Collectors including the District Collector of Madurai and an Advisory Committee has already been formed in the district.

(*c*) The Committee has been appointed for the purpose of advising the Special Officer of the District Board in the discharge of his duties and functions as the District Board and its president. Its functions are purely advisory in character.

Road

* 235 *Q.*—SRI N. K. PALANISAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the plan to construct a road from Kolathakurichi to Naduvapatti has been revised ; and

(*b*) if so, the reasons therefor ?

* THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : (*a*) No, Sir.

(*b*) Does not arise.

* 236 *Q.*—SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) what is the allotment of funds set apart by the Corporation of Madras in the Budget year, 1958–59, for improvement and laying out fresh roads in the extended areas in the City of Madras ;

(*b*) what is the loan applied for by the Corporation of Madras to the Government of Madras on this account ?

(*c*) whether it was granted ; and

(*d*) whether there was any proposal to increase ahe allotment ?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : (*a*) Nil.

(*b*) Rs. 2 lakhs.

(*c*) A loan of Rs. 50,000 will be sanctioned in 1958–59.

(*d*) No, Sir.

11-30 a.m. SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Sir, when the Corporation made a request for the loan of Rs. 2 lakhs for the improvement of these roads in the extended area, why were the Government so unkind as to refuse to grant the loan ?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : The Government are not unkind. But owing to the financial difficulty, they have granted only Rs. 50,000.